

1. (Currently Amended) A semi-flexible cover-view binder assembly, comprising:

front and rear semi-flexible plastic covers, said front cover being transparent and being provided with a peripheral coating forming a substantially opaque frame defining an open area within the frame; said covers having inner and outer surfaces;

an inner pocket having approximately the same dimensions as the cover firmly secured to the inner surface of said front cover; said pocket having inner, outer, top and bottom edges; said inner pocket being secured along its outer edge and its bottom edge, and being free and unsecured to the cover at the top and inner edges, thereby permitting quick insertion of visual material from the top and inner edges of said pocket; and

said pocket extending at least over said open area;

whereby a visual insert may be easily slipped into said pocket, and held in said pocket for viewing of said visual insert through said transparent front cover.

2. Canceled

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5. (Currently Amended) A system including a binder assembly comprising:

a binder assembly comprising:

(a) front and rear semi-flexible plastic covers, said front cover being transparent and being provided with a peripheral coating forming a substantially opaque frame; said covers having inner and outer surfaces;

(b) an inner pocket having approximately the same dimensions as the cover firmly secured to the inner surface of said front cover; said pocket having inner, outer, top and bottom edges; said inner pocket being secured along its outer edge and its bottom edge, and being free and unsecured to the cover at the top and inner edges, thereby permitting quick insertion of visual material from the top and inner edges of said pocket;

(c) an insert having visual information applied thereto in the area within said frame, said insert being in said inner pocket;

(d) a plurality of transparent dividers with outwardly projecting tabs thereon mounted within said binder; and

DI (e) said rear cover having a partial pocket extending for less than half of the area of said rear cover; said partial pocket being formed of the same sheet as the rear cover, with the pocket being formed by folding a sheet upward and bonding it in place, said rear cover being coated with substantially opaque material similar to the frame coating on the front cover; and

said system further including a computer, a keyboard and a printer, for displaying the framed front cover of said binder and forming visual material within said frame, and printing out the visual insert for insertion into the inner pocket with the visual material set-off and enclosed by said frame.

6. (Currently Amended) A binder assembly as defined in claim 4 5 wherein said rear cover partial pocket has a plurality of slits therein for mounting cards on said partial pocket.

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11. (Currently Amended) A semi-flexible cover-view binder assembly, comprising:

front and rear semi-flexible plastic covers, said front cover being transparent and being provided with a peripheral substantially opaque frame defining an open area within the frame; said covers having inner and outer surfaces;

an inner pocket firmly secured to the inner surface of said front cover; said pocket having inner, outer, top and bottom edges; said inner pocket being secured along its outer edge and its bottom edge, and being free at the top and inner edges, thereby permitting quick insertion of visual material from the top and inner edges of said pocket;

an insert having visual information applied thereto in the open area within said frame, said insert being in said inner pocket; and

DI said pocket having an extent at least coextensive with said open area;

whereby said pocket maintains said visual material in engagement with the inner surface of said front cover, with the visual material located within the open area of the frame.

12. A binder assembly as defined in claim 11 wherein said rear cover has a rear pocket of the same material as the said rear cover; said rear pocket being formed of the same sheet as the rear cover, with the pocket being formed by folding said sheet and bonding it in place.

13. Canceled

14. A binder assembly as defined in claim 11 wherein said rear pocket is transparent.

15. (Currently Amended) A system including a binder assembly comprising:

a binder assembly comprising:

(a) front and rear semi-flexible plastic covers, said front cover being transparent and being provided with a peripheral coating forming a substantially opaque frame; said covers having inner and outer surfaces;

(b) an inner pocket having approximately the same dimensions as the cover secured to the inner surface of said front cover; said pocket having inner, outer, top and bottom edges; said inner pocket being firmly secured along its outer edge and its bottom edge, and being free and unsecured to the cover at the top and inner edges, thereby permitting quick insertion of visual material from the top and inner edges of said pocket;

DI (c) an insert having visual information applied thereto in the area within said frame, said insert being in said inner pocket;

(d) a plurality of transparent dividers with outwardly projecting tabs thereon mounted within said binder; and

(e) said rear cover having a partial pocket extending for less than half of the area of said rear cover; said partial pocket being formed of the same sheet as the rear cover, with the pocket being formed by folding a sheet upward and bonding it in place, said rear cover being coated with substantially opaque material similar to the frame coating on the front cover; and

said system further including a computer, a keyboard and a printer, for displaying the framed front cover of said binder and forming visual material within said frame, and printing out the visual insert for insertion into the inner pocket with the visual material set-off and enclosed by said frame.

16. A binder assembly as defined in claim 11 wherein said rear cover is opaque and wherein it has a coating to substantially match the frame on the front cover.

17. (Currently Amended) A semi-flexible cover-view binder assembly, comprising:

front and rear semi-flexible plastic covers, said front cover being transparent and being provided with a peripheral substantially opaque frame defining an open area within the frame; said covers having inner and outer surfaces;

an inner pocket having approximately the same dimensions as the cover firmly secured to the inner surface of said front cover; said pocket having inner, outer, top and bottom edges; said inner pocket being secured along its outer edge and its bottom edge, and being free at the top and inner edges, thereby permitting quick insertion of visual material from the top and inner areas of said pocket;

an insert having visual information applied thereto in the open area within said frame, said insert being in said inner pocket;

a plurality of dividers with outwardly projecting tabs thereon mounted within said binder; and

said rear cover having a rear pocket formed of the same sheet as the rear cover.

18. Canceled

19. (Previously Amended) A system including a binder assembly comprising:

a binder assembly comprising:

(a) front and rear semi-flexible plastic covers, said front cover being transparent and being provided with a peripheral coating forming a substantially opaque frame; said covers having inner and outer surfaces;

(b) an inner pocket having approximately the same dimensions as the cover secured to the inner surface of said front cover; said pocket having inner, outer, top and bottom edges; said inner pocket being secured along its outer edge and its bottom edge, and being free and unsecured to the cover at the top and inner edges, thereby permitting quick insertion of visual material from the top and inner edges of said pocket;

(c) an insert having visual information applied thereto in the area within said frame, said insert being in said inner pocket;

(d) a plurality of transparent dividers with outwardly projecting tabs thereon mounted within said binder; and

(e) said rear cover having a partial pocket extending for less than half of the area of said rear cover; said partial pocket being formed of the same sheet as the rear cover, with the pocket being formed by folding a sheet upward and bonding it in place, said rear cover being coated with substantially opaque material similar to the frame coating on the front cover; and

said system further including a computer, a keyboard and a printer, for displaying the framed front cover of said binder and forming visual material within said frame, and printing out the visual insert for insertion into the inner pocket with the visual material set-off and enclosed by said frame.

20. Canceled

21. (Currently Amended) A semi-flexible cover-view binder assembly, comprising:

front and rear semi-flexible plastic covers, said front cover being transparent and being provided with a peripheral substantially opaque frame

defining an open area within the frame; said covers having inner and outer surfaces;

an inner pocket having approximately the same dimensions as the cover firmly secured to the inner surface of said front cover; said inner pocket being secured along ~~three~~ only two edges with thereof to one of the semi-flexible covers of said binder assembly, permitting quick insertion of visual material into said pocket; and

an insert having visual information applied thereto in the open area within said frame, said insert being in said inner pocket.

22. (Currently Amended) A semi-flexible cover-view binder assembly, comprising:

DI front and rear semi-flexible plastic covers, said front cover being transparent and being provided with a peripheral substantially opaque frame defining an open area within the frame; said covers having inner and outer surfaces;

an inner pocket having four edges and has approximately the same dimensions as the cover firmly secured to the inner surface of said front cover; said inner pocket being secured to the front cover along two edges, and the other two edges being free and unsecured to the front cover, thereby permitting quick insertion of visual material from the other two edges of said pocket; and

an insert having visual information applied thereto in the open area within said frame, said insert being in said inner pocket.

23. Canceled

24. (Currently Amended) In combination:

a semi-flexible cover-view binder assembly, comprising:

(a) front and rear semi-flexible plastic covers, said front cover being transparent and being provided with a peripheral substantially opaque frame defining an open area within the frame; said covers having inner and outer surfaces;

(b) an inner pocket having approximately the same dimensions as the cover firmly secured to the inner surface of said front cover; said pocket having inner, outer, top and bottom edges; said inner pocket being secured along its outer edge and its bottom edge, and being free at the top and inner edges, thereby permitting quick insertion of visual material from the top and inner edges of said pocket;

(c) an insert having visual information applied thereto in the open area within said frame, said insert being in said inner pocket; and

said pocket extending at least over said open area;

whereby a visual insert may be easily slipped into said pocket, and held in said pocket for viewing of said visual inset through said transparent front cover;  
and

a computer, a keyboard and a printer, for displaying an image corresponding to the framed front cover of said binder, for forming visual material within the frame, and for printing out the visual insert for insertion into the inner pocket of said binder assembly with the visual material set-off and enclosed by said frame.

25. (Previously Added) A binder assembly as defined in claim 1 wherein said covers are secured together at a binding and wherein said inner pocket is formed of a sheet which is secured to said binding, and is cut along the binding to form the inner free edge of said pocket.

26. (Previously Added) A binder assembly as defined in claim 11 wherein said covers are secured together at a binding and wherein said inner pocket is



formed of a sheet which is secured to said binding, and is cut along the binding to form the inner free edge of said pocket.

27. (Previously Added) A binder assembly as defined in claim 17 wherein said covers are secured together at a binding and wherein said inner pocket is formed of a sheet which is secured to said binding, and is cut along the binding to form the inner free edge of said pocket.

28. (Currently Amended) An assembly as defined in claim 17 wherein said inner pocket extends over the greater portion of the inner surface of said front cover, and over the open area of said cover.

29. (New) A semi-flexible cover-view binder assembly, comprising:

front and rear semi-flexible plastic covers, said front cover being transparent and being provided with a peripheral coating forming a substantially opaque frame defining an open area within the frame; said covers having inner and outer surfaces;

an inner pocket having approximately the same dimensions as the cover firmly secured to the inner surface of said front cover; said pocket having inner, outer, top and bottom edges; said inner pocket being secured along its outer edge and its bottom edge, and being free and unsecured to the cover at the top and inner edges, thereby permitting quick insertion of visual material from the top and inner edges of said pocket; and

said pocket extending at least over said open area;

whereby a visual insert may be easily slipped into said pocket, and held in said pocket for viewing of said visual inset through said transparent front cover.

said pocket being directly and firmly bonded to the inside of said front cover at a pocket-to-cover bond zone, which bond zone is free of expansion structure, whereby said insert is firmly and positively held in engagement with the

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inner surface of said front cover, with the visual material located and maintained within the open area of the frame.

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